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TAGS: PFOR, OAU, LT

SUBJECT: DAVIS NOMINATION: MESSAGE FOR SYG ETEKI

REF: MASERU 249

1. PERMANENT SECRETARY MINISTRY FOREIGN AFFAIRS ODILAN SEFAKO, NO. 2 IN MINISTRY, TELEPHONED CHARGE TODAY TO COMMENT ON SECRETARY'S MESSAGE TO ETEKI.

2. SEFAKO SAID HE HAD BEEN ILL AND OUT OF OFFICE PAST SEVERAL DAYS. BUT HE WANTED ASSURE US THAT TEXT OF SECRETARY'S MESSAGE HAD BEEN PROMPTLY DELIVERED TO PRIME MINISTER AND THAT PM HAD READ IT. PM HAS OFFERED NO COMMENT AS YET, NOR DOES GOL KNOW WHAT REPLY ETEKI WILL MAKE.

3. FOR HIS PART, SEFAKO WANTED TO CONVEY A FEW COMMENTS. FIRST, SEFAKO SAID OAU PRONOUNCEMENT WAS A "DECLARATION", NOT A "RESOLUTION", AND THEREFORE WAS LESS FORMAL STATEMENT THAN MIGHT HAVE BEEN IMPLIED BY PRESS REPORTS. SECOND, HE STATED THE "DECLARATION" MADE IT CLEAR THAT OAU WAS NOT SEEKING TO INTRUDE INTO U.S. SOVEREIGNTY. FINALLY, LESOTHO DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN DISCUSSIONS LEADING TO OAU ISSUANCE OF "DECLARATION", AND

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SEFAKO WANTED TO GIVE FIRM ASSURANCES THAT LESOTHO WOULD

CONTINUE TO COOPERATE CLOSELY WITH AMBASSADOR DAVIS OR  
ANYONE ELSE WHO WAS NAMED TO POSITION JUST AS IT HAD WITH  
PRECEDING AF ASSISTANT SECRETARIES.  
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